



September 17 is California Coastal Cleanup Day!

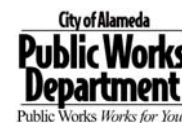
Coastal Cleanup Day is the premier volunteer event focused on the marine environment. According to the California Coastal Commission, in 2010, more than 80,300 volunteers worked together to collect more than 1,100,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from our state's beaches, lakes, and waterways. The City of Alameda had close to 700 volunteers combing the trash on Crown Beach to remove a record total of 3020 pounds of material to add to the state's efforts. This annual cleanup effort has been hailed by the Guinness Book of World Records as "the largest garbage collection" (1993).

Coastal Cleanup Day is a great way for families, students, service groups, and neighbors to join together, take care of our fragile marine environment, show community support for our shared natural resources, learn about the impacts of marine debris and how we can prevent them...and to have fun!

Coastal Cleanup Day is also the kick-off event for Coastweeks - three weeks of coastal and water-related events for the whole family. For more information about these events, please visit PlanetAlameda.com or www.coastal.ca.gov.

Saving the Earth with Proper Disposal:

Household Batteries and Fluorescent Lamps



It's against the law to dispose of these items in the trash. Batteries and fluorescent lamps are also known as Universal Waste, which are hazardous wastes generated by the general population and contain mercury, lead, cadmium, copper and other substances hazardous to human and environmental health. Universal waste may not be discarded in solid waste landfills.

The City of Alameda Public Works Department has created recycling programs for household batteries and fluorescent lamps that are convenient for Alameda residents, and help to keep these items out of the landfills.

The available drop-off locations for household batteries in Alameda are:

- *City Hall - 2263 Santa Clara Avenue
- *City Hall West - 950 W Mall Square (Alameda Point)
- *Alameda Municipal Power - 2000 Grand Street
- *Alameda Free Library - 1550 Oak Street
- *Mastick Senior Center - 1155 Santa Clara Avenue
- *Pagano's Hardware Mart - 1100 Lincoln Avenue
- *Pagano's Hardware - South Shore Center
- *Encinal Hardware - 2801 Encinal Avenue
- *CVS/Pharmacy - 885 Island Drive (Bay Farm Island)
- *Alameda County Industries - 2307 Blanding Avenue, Suite B

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Check PlanetAlameda.com for the latest list of drop-off locations, or contact the Environmental Services Division of Public Works at (510) 747-7930 for assistance.

Thank you for your support in preserving the environmental quality of our Island City.